## **Historic District Commission**

## Minutes Meeting Tuesday, September 10, 2013

The meeting convened at 7:00 pm

Members Present: J. McGarry, G. Bruhn, A. Bacon, D. Spencer

## **Public Hearings:**

Gary Bent 97 Mansfield Hollow Road Mansfield Hollow Historic District

Application for installation of thermal solar panels on south-facing roof of home.

Discussion: There will be two panels, very dark gray or black in color and installed flush to the roof, with approx. 3-4 inches of gap. The panels will be used to reduce hot water costs and are expected to reduce fuel consumption by 25%. The south-facing roof is visible from the direction of the dam, but not directly from Mansfield Hollow Road in front of the house. Panels will be installed by C-Tec, the solar company chosen by the town of Mansfield to work on the solar initiative.

There was no public participation in the hearing. G.Bruhn noted that Ct.State statutes for historic districts encourage energy efficiency, as long as it is not detrimental to the historic district as a whole.

The public hearing was closed and the HDC meeting called to order.

- 1. The committee voted unanimously to approve the application and agreed that it is supportive of such energy initiatives. A Certificate of Appropriateness will be emailed to G.Bent Wednesday morning, with notification sent to Curt Hirsch.
- 2. June minutes were approved.
- 3. It was moved and seconded that the Committee move to Executive Session.

The meting concluded at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Bruhn, Chair